

**Minutes of the Senate Local, Urban & State Affairs Committee**

Tuesday, February 12, 2008

3:00 p.m.

Room 110 of the Farnum Building

Chairman Van Woerkom called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

Members present: Senators Van Woerkom, Birkholz, Allen, Gleason, and Basham.

Senator Birkholz motioned to approve the minutes from October 16, 2007 and the motion was supported by Senator Gleason. The minutes from October 16, 2007 were approved.

Chairman Van Woerkom invited Donald Wasserman with Representative Byrum's Office to testify on HB 5032.

Chairman Van Woerkom called for a motion to adopt the substitute, S-1 HB 5032. Senator Birkholz motioned, with support from Senator Gleason. S-1 HB 5032 passed unanimously.

Chairman Van Woerkom invited Bill Anderson with the Michigan Township Association to testify on HB 5032.

Mr. Anderson stated his support for HB 5032.

Chairman Van Woerkom stated the following as supporters of HB 5032:

- Andrea Brown, representing the Michigan Association of Planning
- Brian Westrin, representing the Michigan Association of Realtors
- Tim Fischer, representing the Michigan Environmental Council
- Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Association of Counties

Chairman Van Woerkom invited Andy Schor with the Michigan Municipal League to testify on HB 5032.

Mr. Schor stated his support for HB 5032.

Senator Birkholz explained the amendment made to S-1 HB 5032.

Senator Birkholz motioned to adopt the amendment for S-1 HB 5032, with support from Senator Allen. The amendment was adopted unanimously.

Senator Birkholz motioned for a vote on the substitute, S-2 HB 5032, with support from Senator Gleason. Senators Van Woerkom, Birkholz, Allen, Gleason, and Basham voted in favor of S-2 HB 5032. Therefore, S-2 HB 5032 was reported with recommendation.

Senator Birkholz motioned for immediate effect with support from Senator Allen. The bill was reported with immediate effect unanimously.

Senator Basham motioned for adjournment with no objection.

Chairman Van Woerkom adjourned the committee at 3:20 p.m.